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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For: METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING RETICLES FOR CHARGED-PARTICLE-BEAM MICROLITHOGRAPHY EXHIBITING REDUCED PROXIMITY EFFECTS, AND RETICLES PRODUCED USING SAME

Enclosed are:

- 19 pages of specification, 4 pages of claims, an abstract and a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- 7 sheet(s) of drawings.
- A certified copy of a Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-258612.

CLAIMS AS FILED

For	Claims Filed	Number Free	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
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- Applicant claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of the earlier filing date of foreign application number 2000-258612, filed on August 29, 2000.
- Assignee for this application is or will be Nikon Corporation, and applicant requests that this information be listed on the published application.
- A check in the amount of \$950.00 to cover filing fee and assignment recordal fee is enclosed.

- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with the filing of this application and recording any assignment filed herewith, or credit over-payment, to Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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